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## MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is the nonprovisional patent application

For (Title): INFORMATION-RECORDING MEDIUM

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Formal drawings (Figs. 1-17; 17 sheets) are attached.  
  Use Figure \_\_\_\_\_ for front page of Publication.

A Declaration and Power of Attorney is filed herewith.

This application claims benefit of Provisional Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (A Preliminary Amendment is attached to reflect this claim in the Specification if not already present.)

This patent application is assigned to HITACHI MAXELL, LTD.  
 The executed Assignment is filed herewith.

An Information Disclosure Statement is filed herewith.

Entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted.

A Preliminary Amendment is filed herewith.

Priority of foreign applications No. 2002-263570 filed September 10, 2002 in Japan and No. 2003-28620 filed February 5, 2003 in Japan are claimed (35 U.S.C. §119).

A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application(s) is filed herewith.

This application is NOT to be published under 35 U.S.C. 112(b). The undersigned attorney or agent hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not been and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

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## SMALL ENTITY

RATE	FEES
	\$ 375
x 9 =	\$
x 42 =	\$
+ 140 =	\$
TOTAL	\$

OTHER THAN A  
SMALL ENTITY

OR	RATE	FEES
OR		\$ 750
OR	x 18	\$
OR	x 84	\$ 252
OR	+ 280	\$
OR	TOTAL	\$ 1002

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